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**RELATES TO AGENDA ITEM S-1**

The Health Department's Budget Committee of the Whole report indicates that the federal expansion of Medicaid will increase the number of current County patients eligible for coverage and the amount of reimbursement potentially available to DHS hospitals. The report also indicates that any benefit from this expansion is dependent upon both Medi-Cal reimbursement rates and whether DHS can retain these patients in its facilities. Similarly, the State has proposed moving seniors and persons with disabilities into Medi-Cal managed care.

Both the State initiative and the federal Medicaid expansion represent a major shift in how Medi-Cal operates, and will require significant planning if the DHS model is going to be a viable one in the new health care marketplace. The management of this change is even more important when considering the impact it could have on our ability to provide trauma and emergency room care should our revenue base decline dramatically. While Board of Supervisors' staff has had several briefings about DHS' initial planning, in order to ensure the long-term health of the County system, a clear path needs to be established to guide this transition.

**I, THEREFORE, MOVE** that, beginning with the next Budget Committee of the Whole quarterly report, the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Officer and the Interim Director of Health Services to include a regular report on the status of the Department's planning activities, including, but not limited to:

- Necessary capital investments for infrastructure improvements and equipment needs
- Estimated up-front costs for infrastructure and information technology
- Necessary components of a managed care model, such as medical homes and specialty services
- Contracting requirements to meet this model, such as expanded contracts for primary care
- Staffing needs
- Timeline for implementation of critical elements
- Proposed funded sources for costs associated with program transition requirements.

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